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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136, applicant hereby petitions that the period for submission of this appeal from the Final Rejection of June 13, 1997, and the Advisory Actions of October 17, 1997, and December 23, 1997, be extended for two (2) months to and including April 10, 1998. See Transmittal for required fee.

Respectfully submitted,

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